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RESOLUTION No. _____**

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the people of Indiana to participate in the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial and recognize the importance of properly commemorating Indiana's role in the expedition.

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Whereas, In October 1803, Meriwether Lewis and William Clark first came together at the Falls of the Ohio in Clarksville, Indiana, to plan and prepare for their expedition west;

Whereas, The Corps of Discovery was born at the Falls of the Ohio when Lewis and Clark selected the first members of the expedition and enlisted them in the army during a ceremony witnessed by General George Rogers Clark;

Whereas, The Corps of Discovery departed for the West from Clarksville, Indiana, on October 26, 1803;

Whereas, On July 13, 2001, the National Park Service certified the Falls of the Ohio State Park as an official Lewis and Clark site associated with the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail;

Whereas, The National Council of the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial has designated the Falls of the Ohio State Park to host a "National Signature Event" in October 2003, to commemorate the bicentennial of the important events that occurred there;

Whereas, No monument exists to mark this historic location or educate visitors about its importance;



Whereas, The people of Indiana are working to construct a Lewis and Clark Plaza for the bicentennial that will commemorate the activities of the Corps of Discovery in Indiana; and

Whereas, The Lewis and Clark Plaza will boost the economic development of southern Indiana by providing a tourist destination for people retracing the steps of the Corps of Discovery and leave a lasting legacy of the bicentennial for future generations: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the Senate concurring:*

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly encourages the
- 2 people of Indiana to participate in the bicentennial of the Lewis and
- 3 Clark Expedition and commemorate Indiana's important role in this
- 4 historic event.
- 5 SECTION 2. That the Indiana general assembly recognizes the
- 6 importance of establishing a fitting monument to the Lewis and Clark
- 7 Expedition at the Falls of the Ohio State Park to properly mark the spot
- 8 where the Corps of Discovery was born and departed for the West.
- 9 SECTION 3. That the principal clerk of the house of representatives
- 10 transmit a copy of this resolution to the National Council of the Lewis
- 11 and Clark Bicentennial and the Indiana Lewis and Clark Bicentennial
- 12 Commission.

